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FIELD OF 10 SET FOR 1 3/4-MILE TEST IN GRADE II, \$200,000 MARATHON STAKES

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Monday, Oct. 29, 2018) – A field of 10 horses are signed on for a 1 ³/₄-mile test over the Churchill Downs main track in Friday's \$200,000 Marathon Stakes (GII), one of two featured stakes races on the undercard of Breeders' Cup "Future Stars Friday".

The Marathon Stakes is carded as the 10th and final race on Friday's card with a post time of 6:43 p.m. (all times Eastern). The first post is 12:55 p.m. and the first of five Breeders' Cup races begins in Race 5 at 3:21 p.m.

The Marathon field is led by **Al Shaqab Racing**'s Breeders' Cup Classic (GI) pre-entrant **Toast of New York**. The 2014 runner-up in the Classic returned to training in late 2017 after standing stud in Qatar and recently finished second behind **Mind Your Biscuits** in the Sept. 29 Lukas Classic (GIII) at Churchill Downs.

Toast of New York has been stabled at Churchill Downs since mid-September but was No. 19 on the Breeders' Cup Classic pre-entry list. A maximum of 14 horses are allowed to run in the Classic.

Trained by Jamie Osborne, Toast of New York will be ridden by Julien Leparoux and break from post position 9.

Among the other challengers to Toast of New York is Centennial Farms' Temperance Hill Invitational winner Rocketry.

Rocketry had 14 prior starts on the turf before trainer **Jimmy Jerkens** opted to try the 4-year-old colt on the dirt in the 1 5/8-mile Temperance Hill in which he scored a 1 ½-length win under jockey **Joel Rosario**.

Rosario has the call once again on Rocketry who will break from post 10.

Another likely major contender in the field is **Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa al Maktoum**'s two-time stakes winner **Dabster** for Hall of Fame trainer **Bob Baffert**.

Dabster, a 4-year-old colt by Curlin, recently reeled of two victories in the Aug. 22 Harry F. Brubaker Stakes and Sept. 16 Los Alamitos Special Stakes.

Jockey Joe Talamo has the call on Dabster who will break from post 2.

Also in the Marathon field is **DARRS Inc.**'s Stephen Foster Handicap (GI) runner-up Honorable Duty for locally-based trainer Brendan Walsh.

Honorable Duty, who finished a head behind Toast of New York in third in the Lukas Classic, sports a 10-4-3-1—\$524,360 record at Churchill Downs.

The Marathon field from the rail out (with jockey and trainer): **Term of Art** (Florent Geroux, Brad Cox); Dabster (Talamo, Baffert); **Imperative** (Jon Court, Anthony Quartorolo); **Finglas** (Corey Lanerie, Tom Amoss); **Senior Investment** (Brian Hernandez Jr., Kenny McPeek); **War Story** (Irad Ortiz Jr., Jorge Navarro); **Big Dollar Bill** (Chris Landeros, Ian Wilkes); Honorable Duty (Jose Ortiz, Walsh); Toast of New York (Leparoux, Osborne); Rocketry (Rosario, Jerkens).

CALIFORNIA INVADER IMPROBABLE LEADS WIDE-OPEN STREET SENSE

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Monday, Oct. 29, 2018) – Hall of Fame trainer **Bob Baffert** hopes to start gutsy maiden winner **Improbable** on the Road to the Kentucky Derby as he faces winners in Friday's \$100,000 Street Sense at Churchill Downs.

Slated as Race 4 with a post time of 2:36 p.m. (all times Eastern), the one-mile Street Sense often serves as a local prep to the Grade II Kentucky Jockey Club on the closing weekend of the Fall Meet. The first post Friday is 12:55 p.m.

Owned by WinStar Farm, China Horse Club and SF Racing, Improbable was successful in his career debut after sitting just off the early :45 half-mile pace and closing late under jockey Drayden Van Dyke.

Improbable, a \$200,000 purchase from the 2017 Keeneland September Yearling Sale, drew post position 2 and will once again be ridden by Van Dyke.

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Among the other challengers in the Street Sense field is 15 ¾-length maiden winner **Trophy Chaser** for owner/trainer **Juan Avila**.

Trophy Chaser crushed the competition in his second-career start at Gulfstream Park under jockey **Leonel Reyes**. Following that performance, the colt tested the Grade I Champagne at Belmont Park but finished fifth.

Trophy Chaser originally was under consideration for the Sentient Jet Breeders' Cup Juvenile (GI) but his connections opted to run the son of Twirling Candy in the Street Sense instead.

Reyes once again has the call and drew post 3.

Also in the Street Sense field is the **Churchill Downs Racing Club**'s Arlington-Washington Futurity runner-up **Distant Shore**.

The son of Algorithms won his career debut at Indiana Grand by four lengths in a 5 ½ furlong maiden special weight contest prior to testing stakes company in the seven-furlong Arlington-Washington Futurity over Arlington Park's synthetic surface.

Churchill Downs perennial leading rider Corey Lanerie has the call on Distant Shore for trainer Tom Amoss and breaks from the rail.

The field for the Street Sense from the rail out (with jockey and trainer): Distant Shore (Lanerie, Amoss); Improbable (Van Dyke, Baffert); Trophy Chaser (Reyes, Avila); **Unionizer** (Jose Ortiz, Bill Mott); **Moonster** (Robby Albarado, Dale Romans); **Reward the Miracle** (Jarred Journet, Butch Marshall); **Manny Wah** (John Velazquez, Wayne Catalano); **Louder Than Bombs** (Jeffrey Sanchez, David Fawkes); **Marquee Prince** (Brian Hernandez Jr., Brad Cox).

KENTUCKY DERBY THIRD AUDIBLE RETURNS IN FIRST RUNNING OF CHEROKEE RUN

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Monday, Oct. 29, 2018) – China Horse Club, Head of Plains Partners, Starlight Racing and WinStar Farm's multiple graded stakes winner Audible returns to competition following a six-month layoff to face 11 rivals in Saturday's first running of the \$200,000 Cherokee Run at Churchill Downs.

The seven furlong Cherokee Run for 3-year-olds is carded as Race 2 with a scheduled post time of 11:15 a.m. (all times Eastern). The first race on Saturday is 10:45 a.m. and the first of nine Breeders' Cup races gets underway at noon.

Audible, who finished third behind Justify and Good Magic in the Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve (GI), was one of the top 3-year-old contenders following his 5 ½-length win in the Feb. 3 Holy Bull (GII) and three-length score in the Florida Derby (GI) at Gulfstream Park.

Trained by Todd Pletcher, Audible will be ridden by Javier Castellano and break from post position 3.

Among Audible's challengers in the Cherokee Run is Woody Stephens (GII) winner Still Having Fun for owners Gary Barber, Wachtel Stable and Terp Racing LLC and trainer Timothy Keefe.

The Maryland-bred by Old Fashioned has four victories through 10 starts with earnings of \$451,203.

Jockey **Jose Ortiz** picks up the call on Still Having Fun and will break from post 11.

Also entered in the Cherokee Run is **Albaugh Family Stable** and **Brereton Jones**' Ellis Park Juvenile winner **Dak Attack** for Churchill Downs' all-time leading trainer **Dale Romans**.

The 3-year-old colt by Ghostzapper originally targeted and pre-entered in the Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile (GI) but Romans opted the colt in the Cherokee Run instead.

Jockey Robby Albarado has the call on Dak Attack and will break from post 9.

The Cherokee Run is named after trainer Frank Alexander's 1994 Breeders' Cup Sprint (GI) winner who sported a stout 28-13-5-5 record with \$1,531,818 in earnings.

The Cherokee Run field from the rail out (with jockey and trainer): Cool Bobby (Mario Gutierrez, Peter Eurton); Honorable Treasure (Brian Hernandez Jr., Kenny McPeek); Audible (Castellano, Pletcher); Smart Remark (Joel Rosario, Victoria Oliver); Cowboy Creed (Channing Hill, Nevada Litfin); Mr Freeze (Tyler Gaffalione, Romans); Principe Guilherme (Ricardo Santana Jr., Steve Asmussen); Kowboy Karma (Gabriel Saez, Larry Jones); Dak Attack (Albarado, Romans); Aveenu Malcainu (Luis Saez, Jeremiah Englehart); Still Having Fun (Ortiz, Keefe); Super Sol (Joe Talamo, Bob Baffert).

BELDAME RUNNER UP DIVINE MISS GREY TOPS GRADE II CHILUKKI

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Monday, Oct. 29, 2018) – Corms Racing Stable and R. A. Hill Stable's Beldame Invitational (GI) runner-up Divine Miss Grey heads a competitive field of eight in Saturday's 33rd running of the \$200,000 Chilukki Stakes at Churchill Downs.

Carded as the 12th and finale on Saturday's Breeders' Cup program, the one-mile Chilukki has a post time of 6:22 p.m. (all times Eastern).

Divine Miss Grey, a 4-year-old daughter of Divine Park, invades Kentucky from trainer **Danny Gargan**'s east coast base at Belmont Park. The chestnut filly scored an impressive 7 ³/₄-length win two starts ago in the Dr. James Penny Memorial Stakes on Sept. 8 at Parx.

Jockey Manny Franco has the ride on Divine Miss Grey who drew post position 6.

Chief among Divine Miss Grey's rivals in the Chilukki is California shipper **Shenandoah Queen**, who recently finished third in the Zenyatta Stakes behind **Vale Dori** and **La Force** at Santa Anita Park.

Owned by **Hronis Racing** and trained by **John Sadler**, Shenandoah Queen hopes to overcome her sixth-place finish in last year's Chilukki, her only start outside of California since she's been trained by Sadler.

Tyler Baze has the call on the 6-year-old Henny Hughes mare who breaks from post 3.

Also entered in the Chilukki is Town and Country Racing's Summer Colony Stakes winner Moonlit Garden for Keeneland-based trainer Chris Davis.

A three-time winner from 16 starts, Moonlit Garden scored a front running victory in the Summer Colony by 1 ½ lengths under jockey **Jose Ortiz**.

Moonlit Garden will once again be ridden by Ortiz who drew the rail.

The complete field for the Chilukki from the rail out (with jockey and trainer): Moonlit Garden (Ortiz, Davis); **Awestruck** (Brian Hernandez Jr., Rusty Arnold); Shenandoah Queen (Baze, Sadler); **Bixby Lou** (Declan Cannon, Tracey Glover); **Student Body** (Sophie Doyle, Davis); Divine Miss Grey (Franco, Gargan); **Berned** (Joe Bravo, Graham Motion); **Pricedtoperfection** (Joel Rosario, James Cassidy).